

As a person employed as an emergency management professional, I view with alarm the proposed new BPL technology and what it would mean to amateur radio HF emergency communications. Amateur radio has always been the one constant in most of emergency management's radio communications plans because, it always works when nothing else will. At the levels proposed, this would sound the death knell for the use of HF as a viable communications tool. In all disasters, the most crucial component in saving life and property, which is what we are in the business of, is communication. I cannot believe that you are entertaining a mode that will potentially put the public safety at risk. Please reconsider this RF pollution and delegate it to the bad idea shelf.